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Applicant: Roy A. Gravel et al.

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Title: HUMAN METHIONINE SYNTHASE REDUCTASE: CLONING, AND  
METHODS FOR EVALUATING RISK OF NEURAL TUBE  
DEFECTS, CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE, AND CANCER

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REPLY TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

In reply to the Examiner's action mailed November 15, 2000, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-8, drawn to nucleic acids that encode a mammalian methionine synthase reductase polypeptide or that have a sequence that is complementary to a nucleic acid that encodes a mammalian methionine synthase reductase polypeptide. The election is made without traverse.

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